OREGON CITY IS VIGILANT

Stern Reprieve Measures Against Hobos.

All Bad Characters Are Jailed Instanter---Other Items of Interest.

OREGON CITY, Dec. 29.—But for the vigilance of the police officers of this town, Oregon City would also be having a string of robberies, hold-ups and other criminal deeds. Salem, Portland, Albany and the rest of the large valley towns are experiencing a carnival of crime that so far cannot be stopped. In this town each and every man who cannot give an account to himself is jailed for the night. One man taken in on Friday night had concealed on his person several dozen packs of tobacco, a gold watch, several knives and a lot of cigars, claiming that he had gained the lot while bucking a slot machine. He was detained over night, but was turned loose for lack of a charge being entered against him. Revolvers, knives and brass knuckles, also sling shots, are found on some man of each batch as they are gathered in from the 9:15 overland every evening. Sometimes the hobos show fight and refuse to go with the officers, but they soon change their minds and accompany the guardians of the peace. A visit to the city jail a night or so ago showed a motley crowd. There was a big negro over in one corner, while just across from him in the opposite corner lay a vagabond Chinaman. White men of every age and description common to their tribes were stretched out over the floor and huddled up on the spring mattresses.

The Chinaman has been around the outskirts of town for several months, sleeping under logs or brush. He was gathered in Saturday from Gladstone. He is an old man, who is sick and is nearly starved. His countrymen will have nothing to do with him, and he refuses to tell anything of himself. He will be examined for insanity today.

REPAIRING DAMAGES.

Two shifts of men from the Portland sub-station are working night and day repairing the damaged machines at the generating station of the Portland General Electric Company across the river. As stated in The Journal Saturday night, the trouble was caused by the parting of the big transmission cables leading from the station. When the "load" was taken from the machine it ran away with itself, going so fast as to tear the coils loose, jamming them in such a manner as to make new ones necessary. The damage will soon be repaired at a moderate cost.

A PLEASING CONCERT.

The audience that assembled in Shiveley's Opera House Saturday evening was delighted with the entertainment by the Stanford Mandolin and Glee Clubs of Stanford University. Every number was encored ina manner that showed appreciation, while other numbers had to be repeated to satisfy the audience. After the program had been concluded a reception was tendered the college boys by Clackamas Council of the Royal Arcanum in Willamette Hall. Many invitations had been issued for this affair, and the hall was crowded. The evening was spent in dancing. A part of the Glee Club sang a few selections during the reception. Light refreshments were served.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Edward Rosendorf of Corvallis was in town yesterday.

Earnest Redd of the Nau Drug Company was visiting among friends in the city last evening.

Miss Kit Wood of Portland was the guest of friends at this place yesterday afternoon.

Levi Yoder is home from Washington State, spending the holidays.

Tom McArthur and H. Fenton of Portland and H. B. Miller of Eugene were among the visitors in town yesterday.

Marriage licenses were in great demand Saturday. One each was issued to Robert E. Chapman and Lizzie A. Maire, Clara Frazier and Theodore Revenue, Ottie Ott and A. H. Ritzau, Emma Jones and George Bickell, Mamie Perkins and John Jones, and Felix Victor St. Martin and Inez Thomas Hinman. No divorce cases were entered.

BELDING CASE ARGUED TODAY

Attorneys Lay the Matter Before Supreme Court.

District Attorney Chamberlain and Attorney Dan R. Murphy are in Salem today, where argument in the appeal of the Belding murder case took place before the Supreme Court. Mr. Murphy represented Belding, while District Attorney Chamberlain represented the State. A decision may reasonably be looked for within 10 days.

This morning Belding, who is confined in the County Jail, kept up his usual indifferent demeanor on the exterior, but it was noticeable that he is anxious concerning the outcome of this, the last possible delay he will have. How precious is life and liberty to a human being is well illustrated by the Belding case. Like Castronueve, who stabbed to death Guglielmo, Belding at first confessed to his crime, and asked to be hanged at once. Now, however, he grasps at every legal technicality, as a drowning man grasps at a straw.

OFFICERS INSTALLED.

INDEPENDENCE, Dec. 29.—A joint installation of officers of Lyon Lodge, No. 28, A. F. & A. M., and Independence Chapter, R. A. M., occurred Saturday evening, after which an elaborate banquet was spread. The following officers were installed: Lyon Lodge—A. S. Locke, W. M.; C. W. Irvine, S. W.; H. Hirschberg, J. W.; R. R. Parrish, secretary; H. H. Jasperson, treasurer; O. D. Butler, S. D.; Clarence R. Wagoner, J. D.; D. Calbreath, tyler. The Chapter officers are: J. W. Kirkland, high priest; E. L. Ketchum, king; A. S. Locke, scribe; R. R. Parrish, secretary; H. Hirschberg, treasurer; P. M. Kirkland, captain of host.

John Fluke, an old resident and G. A. R. veteran, lies at the point of death at his home in this city as a result of complication of diseases. His case is hopeless and death is expected momentarily.

NEWS FROM VANCOUVER

A Veteran Passes Away---Personals and Barracks News.

VANCOUVER, Dec. 29.—Edward Cunningham died yesterday morning at his home east of the Garrison. Deceased was 35 years old. He served six years with the Fourteenth Infantry, and was discharged on account of disability. The funeral services will be held this afternoon at the eMthodist Church, under the auspices of Mount Hood Lodge, No. 32, A. F. and A. M., and the remains interred in the Masonic section of the City Cemetery.

James J. Henrichsen, one of Vancouver's pioneer citizens, passed away Saturday at his home, Sixteenth and Main streets, at the age of 70 years.

OLSEN-HIGDON.

Ernest Olsen of Lewisville and Miss Nellie Higdon of Battle Ground, were united in marriage Xmas eve at the parsonage at Fourth Plain, Rev. Cotton officiating. They will reside on the Grooms ranch, near La Center.

LICENSED TO WED.

A marriage license was issued Saturday by Auditor Burnham to Charles V. Harper and Miss Kate Lyons, both of Felida.

VANCOUVER PERSONALS

H. V. A. Furgeson and wife of Blackfoot are registered at the Baltimore.

H. Londevold of Tacoma is registered at the Columbia.

Judge Arthur Haine is a visitor in Portland today.

James McIntosh of Olympia is a visitor in the city.

Miss Alice Smith, with D. Mayers, spent Sunday in Portland.

Claude Lawless and wife to San Francisco are visiting in the city, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Madsen.

Miss Hattie Gregory, with Lipman, Wolfe & Co., Portland, visited friends in thi scity yesterday.

Miss Lizzie Conbie left yesterday for Butte, Mont., where she will visit the family of J. R. Wintler.

Senator George Froebstel and daughter, Miss Grace, of Western Oregon, are visiting relatives in this city.

Mrs. Waggonblast of Albina is visiting her sister, Mrs. E. W. Wright of this city.

Mrs. William Alexander and daughter, Minta, who have been spending the holidays in this city, returned this morning to their home in Skamawkowa.

John Crawford, superintendent of fish hatcheries, is in the city from Whatcom, visiting his brother, James Crawford.

BARRACKS NOTES.

In compliance with instructions from the Secretary of War, the commanding officer, Vancouver Barracks, Wash., will send under proper guard in charge of First Lieut. Robert O. Van Horn, Seventeenth Infantry, the following named prisoners, under sentence of confinement at Alcatraz Island, California, to that point, viz: William B. Putnam, Edward Lough, Francis Burkhardt, William H. Bell, Joseph Greely, James Matson, Charles L. Gibbs, Arthur Baer and Charles Nichols.

Private Arthur Baer, Company B, Twenty-eighth Infantry, having been tried by a general court-martial convened at Vancouver Barracks, Wash., and found guilty of desertion, aws sentenced: "To be dishonorably discharged from the service of the United States, forfeiting all pay and allowances due him, and to be confined at hard labor for a period of 18 months, at Alcatraz Island, Cal.

Private Joseph Greely, Ninety-sixth Company, Coast Artillery, having been tried by a general court martial convened at Vancouver Barracks, Wash., and found guilty of desertion, was sentenced (one previous conviction having been considered) "To be dishonorably discharged the service of the United States, forfeiting all pay and allowances due him, and to be confined at hard labor for one year and six months." The sentence was approved December 18, 1902, and will be duly executed at Alcatraz Island, Cal.

MURDERER HAS BEEN CAPTURED

Slayer of Joseph Guglielmo Arrested and Placed in Prison.

Joseph Castronueve, the fugitive murderer, who eluded the police since Christmas Day, was arrested Saturday evening by Detectives Cordano and Kerrigan, in a barn at Beaverton. The information which led to the capture of Castronueve, consisting of a minute description of his wanderings ever since the crime was committed, was published in Saturday's Journal. Castronueve was not surprised when the officers made their appearance, and offered no resistance. He was handcuffed and taken to jail, where he stated that he stabbed Guglielmo in self-defense.

The funeral of the murdered man was held yesterday, interment being made at Mount Calvary Cemetery.

FIRE IN CHINATOWN.

SALEM, Dec. 29.—At 10:20 o'clock last night a fire alarm called the Salem Fire Department to the corner of State and Liberty srees, where a good-sized fire had started in a noodle joint in Chinatown, and had spread rapidly to adjoining buildings, threatening the entire destruction of what ins long been an eyesore to the Capital City—the Chinese quarter.

The shop of E. Tung Goey, a Chinaman; the adjoining paint shop of L. Bart, and the rear end of the cigar store of Davenport & Co. were in flames. Fed by the oil in the paint shop, the flames for a time resisted the efforts of the firemen, and threatened much destruction, but they were finally checked.

In the paint shop were a number of old bicycles, stored there at a time when the place was a repair shop, and many of these were saved. The cigar stock and fixtures of Davenport & Co. were hurriedly taken out of the building occupied by them, but in a half-hour after the department arrived on the scene the fire was under control, and this stock was moved back into the building.

The fire started from the stove in the kitchen of the Chinese noodle joint.

The property partially burned belongs to Louis Vieraniof Portland. The buildings are old, tumble-down shanties, and have long been looked upon as an eyesore and a menace to the city. The damage done is not over $600.

BUILDING PERMITS.

Portland Gas Co., three-story brick addition, Front and Everett streets, $10,000.

J. B. Parker, addition, East Eleventh and Mill streets, $150.

East Side Mill & Lumber Co., one-story mill, Spokane avenue and River front, $10,000.

FOR BENEFIT OF THE COUNTY

The Taxpayers League Frames Three Bills.

Limits Expenditures to Levy and Holds the Commissioners Liable.

The Taxpayers' League has framed three additional bills, which have been given to the Multnomah delegation. The bills all relate to the county.

The first bill seeks to limit the expenditures to the amount of the annual levy for such purposes. It has been the custom heretofore for the County Court to set the estimate for the expenditures, and to make a levy accordingly at so many mills on the dollar of valuation, and then to disregard the levy, spend more than was allowed, and issue warrants for the payment of same. This bill seeks to hold the county commissioners liable for any excess expenditures.

The text of the bill is as follows:

COMMISSIONERS LIABLE.

"Section 1. The county expenditures shall be confined to the amount of the annual levy therefor; and members of the County Court or Board of County Commissioners, or any other county official, who shall authorize, incur, cause or create or officially approve any expense or liability for the county in excess of the amount of the levy that may have been made for county expenditures hereinafter defined, shall be jointly and severally liable, individually and personally, for the amount of such excess. County expenditures shall include roads, bridges and ferries, support of poor and interest on warrants, as well as the usual and ordinary expense of the county government and salaries, heretofore included in the classifications of county tax and road tax, but shall not include school, park, library or bounty tax.

"Sec. 2. The County Court or Board of County Commissioners may, if they deem it necessary, order and direct a special levy to be made of not exceeding one half mill on each dollar of valuation to raise funds to meet any unforeseen contingency which, in their judgment, should be dealt with in order to prevent serious loss or injury to the county. The funds thus raised shall be set apart and used for such contingency only.

"Sec. 3. All acts or parts of acts in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed."

SALARIES REDUCED.

Another bill directs a blow at the salary of the county commissioners, seeking to require them to work for every day's pay. This will materially reduce their salaries, as it has been the custom of late years to pay each commissioner $3 per diem regardless of whether he did anything for the county. Holidays and Sundays were counted, also, thus making the salaries of the county commissioners quite to be sought after.

Another provision of the bill is that all purchases of supplies which exceed $100 shall be advertised, and given to the lowest bidder. Another provision stipulates that all advertisements shall be given out for bids, and shall go to the lowest responsible newspaper bidder. The newspaper would be known as the county official paper. It would have to be published within the county, and have a general circulation among the population of the county.

ADVERTISING CONTRACTS.

The third bill is identical with the preceding one, except section 2, which is as follows:

"Sec. 2. All contracts for official advertising, including notice of sale of property for delinquent taxes, shall be let annually in July of each year by the County Court or Board of County Commissioners of all counties having 50,000 or more population, to the lowest responsible bidder publishing a newspaper in the county, and which has a bona fide circulation therein, which newspaper shall be known as the county official newspaper. Should said newspaper cease to be published, or if for any cause the contract be annulled, a new contract for the unexpired term of the original contract shall be let to the lowest responsible bidder publishing a newspaper as above provided, and until such new contract is let the County Court or Board of County Commissioners shall designate a newspaper in which all advertising shall be published. All county advertising and publications shall be made in such county official newspaper only."

NEW INCORPORATIONS.

Portland is to have a new and large machinery and general merchandise store. Articles of incorporation of the Crofut-McAyeal Machinery Company were filed with the County Clerk this morning. The capitalization of the new firm is placed at $20,000. The members of the company are as follows: J. J. Crofut, Alexander McAyeal and C. A. Merriam. The principal place of business will be Portland.

LANG & CO.

One of the largest capitalized incorporations that have been recorded for months was filed in the office of the County Clerk this morning. They were the articles of incorporation of Lang & Co. The company will have a capital of $500,000, and will conduct a wholesale and retail grocery and general merchandise business, and will also engage largely in export business.

The headquarters of the company will be situated in Portland, and the promoters of the enterprise, as named in the articles of incorporation, are as follows: Isadore Lang, M. Lang and Louis Lang. The firm name will be Lang & Co.

DEATH OF OLD RESIDENT.

SALEM, Dec. 29.—ulius Ruef, a well-known and popular citizen of Marion County, died at the family residence on the Garden road, near this city on Saturday, after a brief illness, aged 41 years. He was a native of Germany, and came to this country 17 years ago, since which time he has been a substantian and worthy citizen here. He leaves a wife and six grown children to mourn his demise. The funeral will be held tomorrow, under the auspices of the German Methodist Church, of which deceased was a prominent member.

The funeral of the late C. W. Scriber, the pioneer blacksmith and capitalist of Salem, who died on Friday, is being held this afternoon from the South Salem M. E. Church. Chemaketa Lodge No. 1, I. O. O. F., the pioneer lodge of which he was a member, is attending the funeral in a body.

APPROPRIATION BILL COMPLETED

Meeting of Lewis and Clark Board of Directors.

The bill for an appropriation of $500,000 and a commission of 11 persons for the Lewis and Clark Fair has been completed by Director Fenton of the legislation committee and is now in the hands of the stenographer. When completed the bill will form about 10 typewritten pages. The subcommittee of the legislation committee will meet the early part of this week to prepare a bill to be presented at the next session of Congress. This bill will provide for an appropriation of $2,000,000 for the Fair by the government.

The legislative committee of the Lewis and Clark Fair will meet the latter part of this week to hear the report of its sub-committee. Other business that will be discussed at this meeting is as to whether Special Commissioner Knapp should be retained by the Fair corporation after he has finished interviewing the governors of the Western states, or have him visit the Legislatures of the doubtful states, also.

A general business meeting of the directors of the Fair will be held on Friday, at which the legislative committee will report. Chairman Willis, of the agricultural committee, will ask for a section of the Fair site for an agricultural exhibit at this meeting.

DISCREDIT THE RUMOR

State Department Does Not Believe That British Marines Have Landed at La Guayra.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The State Department places no credence in the report that British marines have been landed at La Guayra. Minister Bowen has not been heard from since Saturday, when a dispatch was received stating the terms on which the allies were willing to submit their claims to arbitration.

ACCUSED OF BIG SWINDLE

LONDON, Dec. 29.—Two Russians, Green and Pinevitz, claiming to be American citizens, were arrested this morning on their arrival in London, on telegraphic advices from Paris, and were charged at the Bow street station with having unlawfully in their possession a letter of credit for $25,000, drawn on London and American banks.

Green's alias is Greenbaum. When searched a card was found in his pocket bearing the address "Hurst Club, San Francisco." Pinevitz declared that the letter of credit which was the cause of the arrest belonged to a man in America, whither the prisoner said he was going in order to deliver it. Two opals, a gold seal and a quantity of furs were also found in the possession of the two men.

NEW LINE TO THE ORIENT

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 29.—The Kansas City, Mexico & Orient Railway today ratified a contract with the Aamburg-American Steamship Company for a regular passenger and freight service between the Orient and Port Stillwell Mexico, which will be the terminus of the proposed line.

TOWN AGAIN SHAKEN

Another Violent Earthquake in Ill-fated Andijan.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 29.—Another violent earthquake occurred last night at Andijan, Central Asia. The extent of this latest disaster is not yet known. The town was almost destroyed by earthquakes a few days ago, and the loss of life at that time was estimated at 4,000. The population of Andijan before these visitations was 50,000. Among the surviving citizens a state of panic prevails.

TWO CASES OF SMALLPOX.

MYRTLE CREEK, Ore., Dec. 29.—Two cases of smallpox are reported from Canyonville, nine miles south of this place. Quite a large number have been exposed, and other cases are likely to appear soon. Mr. Stewart and Mr. Everion are the two men who have the disease.

The first snow of the season fell here this morning.

The body of a man was found on Saturday lodged in a bunch of willows in the Umpqua River, six miles below here. The corpse was badly decomposed, and identification was impossible. It is thought that the remains are those of an unknown man who jumped into the river and was drowned last spring, two miles above where the body was found.

SALEM STREET CARNIVAL

SALEM, Dec. 29.—E. J. Arnold, who conducted, and successfully so, several street carnivals in Oregon last year, was in Salem yesterday to lay a plan before the officers of the Greater Salem Commercial Club to conduct a street carnival inthis city in the spring. Mr. Arnold has added much to his equipment, and is satisfied he can give Salem a great show. The Push Club is considering the matter.

NO COUNT YET.

The vot efor labor commissioner will not be counted until tonight, and the successful candidate for the proposed office will not be known before then. At the meeting Friday night of the Federated Trades Council, a committee was appointed to count the votes on Saturday evening, but through some misunderstanding, the committee selected failed to get together.

WILL SELECT AN ENGINEER

Port of Portland Commission Holds Meeting

Change of Specifications in Drydock Construction--Levy of Special Tax.

Now that the vexing problem of the building of the drydock has been settled, the Port of Portland Commission has other problems to handle. For this purpose a meeting is in progress this afternoon. The purpose of calling the meeting is to consider a section in the specifications of the drydock which might be construed in two ways. This section refers to the building of a transverse center bulkhead.

In addition, other matters will come up, the most important of which is that relative to the selection of an engineer for the drydock to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Blackwell, of Seattle. There are quite a few applications for this position, but it seems probable that an Eastern man will be the successful person. The commissioners are reticent on this subject, but admit that there are several applications, and that the Eastern man is favored.

An additional matter which will be discussed which is of some importance, is that of the manner in which money should be raised to pay for the construction of the new dredge, its scows, tender, etc. This indebtedness amounts to about $230,000. A law passed by the Legislature states that this indebtedness should be met by one special tax to be levied on the district of the Port of Portland. This the commission wishes changed to five taxes going over a period of five years. The reason for this change is that the people should not be overtaxed in one year.

RAISED LARGE FUND

J. W. Powell, a Peculiar Man With a Peculiar Mission.

A peculiar person with a peculiar mission is in this city. By name he is J. W. Powell and by occupation, he undertakes to raise church debts.

Powell has a contract with the officials of the Central Methodist Church of Albina for the raising of the debt off that institution. As has been heretofore said, Mr. Powell has a peculiar manner of going about the business, which he says is copyrighted.

Mr. Powell's plan is to hold meetings of the congregations of the church. In the morning he talks to the Sunday School classes and tells them the object of the meeting. He then asks that each of those present pledge something toward the raising of the debt. In this he is successful, as something is promised by every child. "The sums given," says Mr. Powell, "range from 5 cents to $1."

In the afternoon Mr. Powell pays his attention to the older folks of the congregation, and as with the Sunday School classes, everybody is asked to contribute his or her mite to the fund. The debt on the Central Methodist Church amounted to $2,000, but before Mr. Powell was through with the congregation, the sum of $3,600 had been pledged. This is $1,600 more than the sum asked for.

When the announcement was made as to the amount raised, the pastor, Rev. W. T. Kerr, was too amazed to speak and Rev. J. R. T. Lathrop of Grace Methodist Church thanked the congregation for their work.

A meeting of the congregation will be held this evening for congratulation services. Arrangements will then be made for the burning of the mortgages. Mr. Powell, the debt-raiser, is being thanked on every hand for his successful deal. The entire debt was raised within a day.

MASONS INSTALL

Three East Side Lodges Hold Installation Services.

A joint installation of the officers of Mt. Tabor, Hawthorne and Washington lodges, A. F. & A. M., was held at Burkhard Hall Saturday evening. A large number of the members of the three lodges were present at the services which were in charge of J. W. Rowland, H. B. Adams acting as grand marshal. During the evening D. A. Grout, in the name of the various lodges, presented Past Worshipful Master J. H. Richmond with a beautiful Masonic emblem. The following officers were installed during the evening:

Mount Taber Lodge—W. E. Wilkinson, worshipful master; A. A. Bailey, senior warden; J. R. Chamberlain, junior warden; L. S. Normandin, treasurer; George P. Lent, secretary; J. O. Hall, senior deacon; A. M. Smith, junior deacon; A. P. Vail, senior steward; W. H. Woodruff, junior steward; Thomas H. Brickell, tyler.

Hawthorne Lorge—W. W. Sansom, worshipful master; W. H. Jenkins, senior warden; G. T. Galligan, junior warden; H. H. Newhall, treasurer; F. Glafke, Jr., secretary; M. J. Camming, senior deacon; A. E. Bellows, junior deacon; J. A. Steward, senior steward; P. A. Combs, junior steward; W. B. Hall, tyler.

Washington Lodge—W. G. Shellenbarger, worshipful master; Charles R. Frazier, senior warden; George M. Hyland, junior warden; R. B. McClung, treasurer; J. H. Richmond, secretary; E. F. Hitchcock, senior deacon; Clyde Evans, junior deacon; Karl V. Lively, senior steward; L. D. Freeland, junior steward; Thomas H. Brickell, tyler.

In Justice Court.

Hulda A. Tramel has filed a suit in the East Side Justice Court against James McCauley and his wife for the possession of some rooms in Albina.

C. O. Olley is plaintiff in a new suit for $15.65 filed against William F. Baumgarte. Costs and interest are asked for.

One reason why The Journal has rapidly gained circulation is that it is the only paper in Portland that dares to print the news.

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FOURTH AND WASHINGTON STS.

THE FEDERATED TRADES MEETING

New Bills to Be Introduced in the Legislature.

At the last weekly meeting of the Federated Trades Council the legislative committee of the organization reported that two new bills are under consideration for introduction at the coming session of the State Legislature. One of them is in regard to the number of hours which should constitute a day's work for a woman, and the other is in reference to the dangerous manner in which street cars are constructed. The committee suggested that a law be placed on the statute books of the state making it illegal for a woman to be required to work more than ten hours a day. A bill was ordered drafted to that effect.

NEW BILLS.

In regard to the construction of street cars, the committee held that the present mode of building them causes unnecessary accidents. The members contended that fenders should be placed on the front part of the cars, which project far out over the trucks, explaining that with a protection of this character, when a person is struck, he would not be drawn in under the wheels. It is a simple contrivance, they urged, which, if required by law, would be the means of considerably lessening the number of accidents that occur. The suggestion was favorably reported, and a bill of that nature will be drawn up.

A communication was received from the employes of the Kokomo Rubber Company of Kokomo, Ind., stating that the goods of that firm, consisting mostly of Oxford and Defender bicycle tires, had been placed on the unfair list. The local firms handling these goods are endeavoring to induce the manufacturer to arrive at an agreement with its employes.

WILL CELEBRATE

Excursion Planned for Completion of St. Johns Electric Line.

The City & Suburban Railway Company has decided to celebrate the completion of the St. Johns electric line and a number of prominent residents of the East Side have been enlisted in the cause.

President M. E. Thompson, of the Central Albina Board of Trade, has called a special meeting of that organization for Wednesday evening at the Mississippi avenue Engine House. The meeting was called for the purpose of arranging some plan of celebration for the completion of the line.

Mr. Thompson says that the party will leave the Piedmont Junction at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon on special cars provided by the City & Suburban Company. The party will go to the end of the line and it is likely that an examination will be made of the manufacturing industries of the town.

On the return trip, the crowd will be taken to the New Artisans Temple at Portsmouth and a banquet served. A fine program is being arranged for the occasion by Francis E. McKenna, who will be speaker of the day.

The new car line, when completed, will be one of the best in the Northwest. The cars are handsome and of the latest pattern. They are equipped with air brakes, electric heaters and other modern conveniences. The City & Suburban Company has decided for the present to give a 30-minute schedule instead of the hourly one.

A $1500 SHAFT

Lone Fir Monument Association to Soon Begin Erection.

The annual report of the treasurer of the Lone Fir Monument Association shows that there is in the treasury of the association about $1,500. The report was made Saturday at the annual meeting held at the hall of Sumner Post on Union avenue near East Ash street. The committees appointed to solicit funds for the erection of the monument will be continued for some time.

It is intended to begin the work of building the foundation for the shaft in about two weeks, and a meeting of the building committee will soon be held to set the date. D. D. Neer, a prominent architect, has charge of the plans for the monument.

During the day the association held its regular election, the result being as follows: M. L. Pratt, Edward Martin, J. W. Ogilbee, J. H. McMillen and B. T. Cardwell, trustees; M. L. Pratt, president; Edward Martin, vice-president; J. W. Ogilbee, secretary; J. H. McMillen, treasurer.

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A spirit of thrift was shown by a young woman who entered a car with sundry boxes and bundles. Another young person came in at the next station and recognized her:

"Oh, my, who is to be married?"

"Nobody; and me last of all."

"Then what are the flowers for?"

"A funeral; Evelyn died, and we girls put together to get this wreath."

"Poor thing, did she know she was going to die?"

"I don't think so;" then, after a pause, she added, cheerfully, "but she does by this time," all being said in a most unconscious way.

"How much was the wreath?"

"Two dollars and 60 cents. I only had $2.35."

"Did you pay the difference?"

"Dear, no; I made him give me it for $2, so I saved my own quarter I put in, but I'm going to make the girls think I paid $2.60."

"Well, that's right; the wear and tear is worth a quarter, surely."

VISITING PORTLAND.

W. B. Jackling, a prominent labor leader of Seattle, is in the city today, but declines to make known the nature o fhis visit. During part of the day, he was in consulttation with officials of the local Marine Engineers' Association.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Marriage licenses were issued today to John M. Keller and Katie Wright; Alois Baumgartner and Wilhelma K. Engle; Charles Yamell and Katie Meyer.

BIRTHS.

To Mr. and Mrs. Timothy M. Larry, 70 East Third Street North, a girl.

CONTAGIOUS DISEASES.

Charley Pierce, 298 Russell street, diphtheria.

Norman Crane, 337 North Twentieth street, diphtheria.

John Bassett, Jr., Twentieth and Northrup streets, scarlet fever.

H. H. Rahn, of aSn Francisco, at the pest house, smallpox.

George Shung, pest house, smallpox.

DEATHS.

Hamerin—At St. Vincent Hospital, December 25, 1902; Jonas Hamerin, aged 38 years.

Kain—At 807 Vancouver avenue, December 23, 1902; Susan Ann Kain, aged 80 years.

Steinheiser—At 574 Hoyt street, December 26, 1902; Isaac Steinheiser, aged 40 years.

McMaster—At 254 Montgomery street, December 25, 1902; Alice M. McMaster, aged 57 years.

Untiernaher—At St. Vincent Hospital, December 24, 1902; Christina Untiernaher, aged 50 years.

Fischer—At 193 1-2 First street, December 25, 1902; the infant of Mr. and Mrs. Ezra P. Fischer.

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